

DEMOCRATS DELAY CHOICE OF LEADER

Up-State Men Will Canvass
Voters on Candidate and
Report in June.

CONFERENCE ENDS TAME

Discussion of Booms Cut Short
by Adoption of Oldtime
Gag Rule.

Special Dispatch to The Sun.
SYRACUSE, April 24.—Carefully studied the gubernatorial candidates, the delegates to the annual conference of the New York State Democratic Party met for exactly one hour and forty minutes in the parlor of the Hotel Onondaga here this afternoon.

In that time three speeches denouncing the Whitman administration were delivered and three resolutions were adopted, one pledging support to President Wilson, another calling upon the Senators from New York State to vote for the suffrage amendment to the Federal Constitution and the last providing for the selection of a general committee of up-State men to make a canvass of the sentiment of the several communities and report to another meeting of the conference in June their recommendation of a candidate for Governor.

Much heralded as a meeting "to discuss and attempt to select a Democratic candidate for Governor to be presented to the unofficial convention" the conference, in line with the severest hour decision of its sponsors, turned out to be an exceedingly drab affair.

Gag Rule Is Adopted.
In order to make sure that no unpleasant topics should be injected into the conference the old fashioned gag rule was adopted, which would have referred to the committee on resolutions "without debate" any unauthorized resolutions that might have been offered. Francis

M. Cullen of Oswego, the permanent chairman, was instructed privately to call to order any one who attempted to discuss personalities of possible candidates. Even the proposition to declare for a "one hundred per cent. American" candidate was discarded as being impolitic.

The managers of the affair showed themselves to be politicians of no mean order. In conferences last night and this morning they decided what should be done, or rather what should not be done, and the other members of the State committee and other county chairmen meekly obeyed. These seven men, who will control the committee of forty-eight named to suggest candidates, are William H. Kelley of Onondaga, William T. Manning of Saratoga, David F. Lee of Chenango, Joseph J. Murphy of Rensselaer, Charles E. Norris of Jefferson, John Fitzgibbon of Oswego and T. Harvey Ferris of Onida.

With the addition of seven women, are to form the executive committee. The remainder of the general committee is composed of one representative from each of the twenty-eight up-State Senate districts. The seven women are Mrs. Francis Kennedy of Binghamton, Miss Sara McKee of Tonawanda, Miss Beulah Bailey of Troy, Mrs. Frances H. Lyman of Watertown, Mrs. Edward S. Jenney of Syracuse, Mrs. Anna McCauley of Lockport, and Mrs. Charles B. Smith of Buffalo.

Wilson Is Praised.
The resolutions for the appointment of this committee were presented by William Church Osborn, chairman of the committee on resolutions. They related that in the "most critical period of the world's history" it was the duty of every citizen of the State of New York to support President Wilson in his efforts to win the war. They "rejoiced that the conduct of the war was in the hands of the 'foremost champion of world democracy and human rights' and they conveyed to the soldiers and sailors and the Allies assurance of 'our unflinching loyalty and support.' They stated that 'the Governor of this State should be one who will most effectively carry out the spirit of patriotism of the people of the State of New York by a faithful execution of the duties of his office, by genuine and effective assistance to the agricultural, commercial and industrial interests of the State, in order to procure a maximum production of food and munition material, and by reducing expense and coordinating forces.'"

The purpose of the conference was declared to be the determination,

"after careful consideration of qualifications, who among the many available candidates is best fitted to secure these objects."

The name of "Big Bill" (William H.) Edwards, Internal Revenue Collector, whose boom was sprung in a Binghamton newspaper and in New York city, was placed on file with the other metropolitan possibilities.

In his "keynote" speech Mr. Cullen said he believed the meeting did not possess the right to dictate the party nominee or to promulgate its platform, but it was desirable to sound the sentiment of the up-State Democracy. After words of praise for the President, and stating that it should be the "prayer of the party that its democracy may be merged in the Americanism until the war is over, to the end that there might be no difference between parties," the speaker launched into his attack on Gov. Whitman.

"At this time," Mr. Cullen said, "it is well to weigh carefully what one says about a public official. But no fair-minded man can avoid the conclusion that the Republican administration in this State has not measured up to the mark. The present Governor is swayed by an inordinate political ambition—amusing as it may be—to be President of the United States. By the nature of things he cannot cooperate with the Federal Government. For four years the welfare of the State has been subordinated to a personal ambition like of which we have not known for many years."

While the housewives had been urged to economize to win the war, the speaker said, the State had revelled in riotous expenditures, the budget going up from \$48,000,000 to \$81,000,000. The excuse that the increase was for military purposes was lame, he asserted, as only seven of the thirty-three million increase could be accounted for in that way.

David F. Lee of Norwich then took up the burden of pounding the Governor, criticizing him for making a "clerk" whom he can call by pushing a button" chairman of the Republican State Committee. "The only thing the people have had in the Executive Mansion for four years is a candidate," declared the speaker.

Ohio Gets U. S. Nitrate Plant.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—The War Department announced today that nitrate plant No. 3 would be located at Toledo, Ohio, and Elizabethtown, Ohio. The two half units will equal in capacity the full unit now under construction at Sheffield, Ala.

STATE CHARWOMEN VICTORS IN STRIKE

Massachusetts to Vote Additional Funds for Them.
BOSTON, April 24.—A strike of fifty charwomen employed in the State House was called off late today when at the behest of Henry B. Endicott, executive manager of the State public safety committee, prompt legislation was promised to allow a sufficient appropriation to pay the women the additional 8 cents an hour which they demanded.

The women marched to Mr. Endicott's office today and laid their grievances before him. Later Mr. Endicott told the House Ways and Means Committee he had acted as arbitrator in more than 100 strikes and that he had never been able to advise anything with any clearer conscience than that the charwomen's request be met.

The committee immediately agreed to report a bill providing for the additional appropriation. The women then voted to return to work tomorrow. The present wage of 35 cents an hour has been in effect eleven years.

WIRE TAPPING BILL VETOED.

Whitman Capitulates Lending and Gregory Oppose Measure.
Special Dispatch to The Sun.
ALBANY, April 24.—Accepting the recommendation of Secretary of State Lansing, the Attorney-General and other Federal officers, Gov. Whitman vetoed this afternoon the bill making it a misdemeanor to tap telephone lines except with the consent of a Supreme Court Justice.

The bill was an outgrowth of the recent sensational investigation in New York city which resulted in the indictment of several of Mayor Mitchell's official family when it was shown that telephones had been tapped for the purpose of revealing an alleged conspiracy in relation to the conduct of charitable institutions.

Federal opposition to the measure, it is understood, was based upon the need of the Government investigators to use extraordinary methods for obtaining information regarding spy activities.

The Governor, in a memorandum accompanying the veto, said: "I have communicated with the Secretary of State and the Attorney-General of the United States and in view of the information received from them I deem it my duty to disapprove this bill."

U. S. WILL BUILD BIG PIERS IN BROOKLYN

\$40,000,000 Terminals to Care for Army Supplies.
Special Dispatch to The Sun.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—The plan of Major-Gen. Goethals for construction of six big piers and eight storehouses on land just south of the Bush Terminal in South Brooklyn was approved today at a conference of shipping and transportation officials in the office of Secretary Baker. The work is to be rushed to completion. It is estimated that the huge piers and storehouses will cost \$40,000,000.

Decision was reached after both the inland and overseas transportation systems were carefully considered. The various southern ports were canvassed and their advantages and disadvantages discussed.

The conference was attended by representatives of the Shipping Board, the War Industries Board and the transportation division of the Quartermaster's Corps. The chief objection to the Brooklyn project was that raised by Chairman Baruch of the War Industries Board of difficulty in getting first the construction materials and then the enormous amount of supplies designed for transit overseas.

to the great storehouses contemplated. It is believed these disadvantages can be overcome.

The new terminal adjoining the Bush property now under control of Gen. Goethals will take care of practically all army supplies with the exception of explosives. Facts and figures on the New York harbor situation presented by Dock Commissioner Hulbert were considered.

GIRLS' SMOKES REACH ARMY.

Officers' Daughters Enlist Good Luck Messages.

An Army Girls Transport Tobacco Fund, which was organized last summer to supply tobacco to soldiers en route to Europe, has missed only one transport sailing for France since the project was put under way. In each kit of tobacco it encloses a message of "Appreciation of patriotism/heartiest wishes for a good aim, good luck and a safe return."

Miss Margaret S. Carson, who organized the fund and is its secretary, is a daughter of Col. John M. Carson, U. S. A., and each of the eleven other girls in the campaign committee is the daughter of an army officer. Capt. Samuel Frothingham, U. S. R., 25 Pine street is the treasurer.

The fund is now inviting patriotic societies, clubs and individuals throughout the country who are raising funds

for soldiers' comforts to assist it in its splendid work. It has arranged to place in each tobacco kit a return postcard giving full credit to the particular funds or individuals who have made contributions.


Milwaukee German Shows End.
MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 24.—Stockholders of the German Theatre Company decided today that German performances would not be given hereafter.

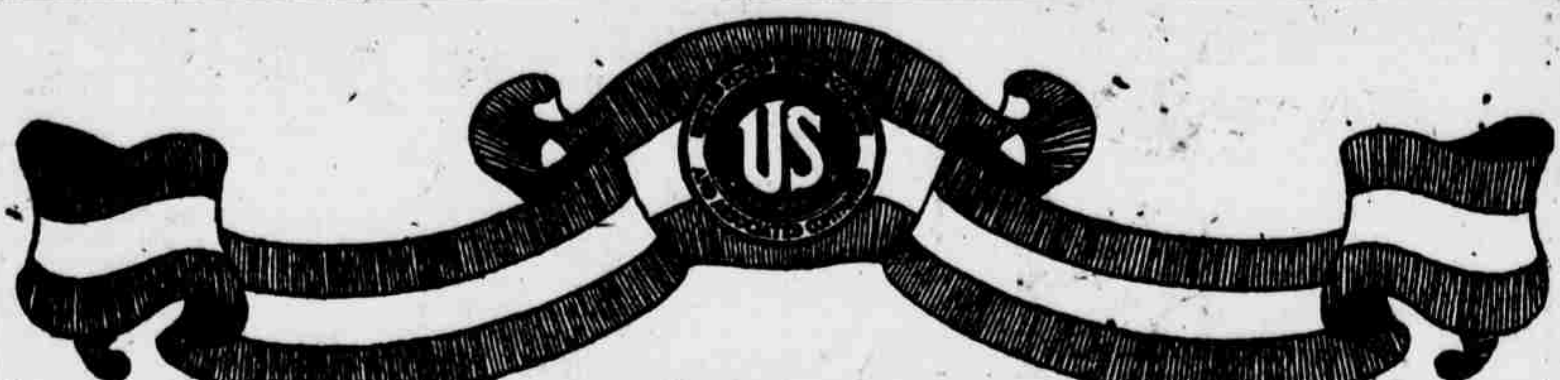
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